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53F-5-504 Implementation grants -- Requirements.

(1)

- (a) The state board shall, subject to legislative appropriations, award an implementation grant to, subject to Subsection (1)(c), an LEA:
 - (i) that submits an implementation grant application that meets the requirements established by the state board, subject to Subsection (2);
 - (ii) if an LEA designee has attended the technical assistance training described in Section 53F-5-502; and
 - (iii) if the LEA implementation grant application has been recommended by the review committee.
- (b) An LEA that receives a grant under Subsection (1)(a) shall expend the grant funds no later than two calendar years after receiving the funds.
- (c) An LEA is not eligible to receive an implementation grant under this section unless the state board has previously awarded the LEA a planning grant under Section 53F-5-503.

(2)

- (a) An implementation grant application shall include evidence that the LEA:
 - (i) can logically articulate the proposed program's mission, theory of change, and the program's intended goals and outcomes;

(ii)

- (A) program will have schoolwide implementation; or
- (B) if the LEA intends to implement initially with a population smaller than schoolwide, program includes steps to phase the program in schoolwide or districtwide over a specified period of time;
- (iii) has an understanding of similar programs and can use this knowledge to strengthen the LEA's program implementation;
- (iv) program will focus on:
 - (A) direct alignment with the core principles described in Section 53F-5-502;
 - (B) use of the methods, as applicable, described in Section 53F-5-502; and
 - (C) the outcome based measures adopted by the state board under Section 53F-5-502;
- (v) program will address a need, determined by data, in the LEA or community;
- (vi) has a strong evaluation plan that will clearly measure the success of the LEA's program against the stated goals and objectives;
- (vii) has a list of signatures of key stakeholders and partners who are committed to implementing the program;
- (viii) has the capacity, qualifications, local governing body support, and time to successfully implement this program;
- (ix) has an intentional and feasible scope of work to implement the program;
- (x) will align the LEA's budget as necessary with the planning process; and
- (xi) will communicate and promote the plan with parents, teachers, and members of the community.
- (b) The state board may adopt other requirements in addition to the requirements in Subsection (2)(a).
- (3) A program under this section may include:
 - (a) a waiver, subject to Section 53F-5-506, of required school hours attended or traditional school calendar scheduling; and
 - (b) an adjustment of educator compensation to reflect the implementation of a waiver under Subsection (3)(a).

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